



Mr Mel Jurd of Wollombi and his 8ft carpet snake, 1974

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Have you ever had a close encounter with a snake? Perhaps you've discovered one by your back door, or curled up behind a plant outside, or even hiding inside somewhere? Describe your experience. How did this snake encounter make you feel? What else do you recall about this event?

Do you like snakes? What is it about snakes that you do or do not like?

Looking at the man in the photograph, would you say he looks afraid of the snake? Or do you think it is possible he is enjoying this rare moment?